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1. FOLLOWING IS CSCE TEXT ON FAMILY CONTACTS AND MEETINGS
AND FAMILY REUNIFICATION. COMPLETE CSCE TEXT IS BEING
AIRPOUCHED.

2. "(A) CONTACTS AND REGULAR MEETINGS ON THE BASIS OF
FAMILY TIES"

-- "IN ORDER TO PROMOTE FURTHER DEVELOPMENT OF CONTACTS
ON THE BASIS OF FAMILY TIES THE PARTICIPATING STATES WILL
FAVOURABLY CONSIDER APPLICATIONS FOR TRAVEL WITH THE
PURPOSE OF ALLOWING PERSONS TO ENTER OR LEAVE THEIR
TERRITORY TEMPORARILY, AND ON A REGULAR BASIS IF DESIRED,
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IN ORDER TO VISIT MEMBERS OF THEIR FAMILIES."

-- "APPLICATIONS FOR TEMPORARY VISITS TO MEET MEMBERS
OF THEIR FAMILIES WILL BE DEALT WITH WITHOUT DISTINCTION

AS TO THE COUNTRY OF ORIGIN OR DESTINATION: EXISTING
REQUIREMENTS FOR TRAVEL DOCUMENTS AND VISAS WILL BE

APPLIED IN THIS SPIRIT. THE PREPARATION AND ISSUE OF
SUCH DOCUMENTS AND VISAS WILL BE EFFECTED WITHIN
REASONABLE TIME LIMITS; CASES OF URGENT NECESSITY - SUCH
AS SERIOUS ILLNESS OR DEATH - WILL BE GIVEN PRIORITY
TREATMENT. THEY WILL TAKE SUCH STEPS AS MAY BE NECESSARY
TO ENSURE THAT THE FEES FOR OFFICIAL TRAVEL DOCUMENTS
AND VISAS ARE ACCEPTABLE."

-- "THEY CONFIRM THAT THE PRESENTATION OF AN APPLICATION
CONCERNING CONTACTS ON THE BASIS OF FAMILY TIES WILL NOT
MODIFY THE RIGHTS AND OBLIGATIONS OF THE APPLICANT OR
OF MEMBERS OF HIS FAMILY."

3. "(B) REUNIFICATION OF FAMILIES"

-- "THE PARTICIPATING STATES WILL DEAL IN A POSITIVE AND
HUMANITARIAN SPIRIT WITH THE APPLICATIONS OF PERSONS WHO
WISH TO BE REUNITED WITH MEMBERS OF THEIR FAMILY, WITH
SPECIAL ATTENTION BEING GIVEN TO REQUESTS OF AN
URGENT CHARACTER - SUCH AS REQUESTS SUBMITTED BY
PERSONS WHO ARE ILL OR OLD."

-- "THEY WILL DEAL WITH APPLICATIONS IN THIS FIELD
AS EXPEDITIOUSLY AS POSSIBLE."

-- "THEY WILL LOWER WHERE NECESSARY THE FEES CHARGED
IN CONNEXION WITH THESE APPLICATIONS TO ENSURE THAT
THEY ARE AT A MODERATE LEVEL."

-- "APPLICATIONS FOR THE PURPOSE OF FAMILY REUNIFICATION
WHICH ARE NOT GRANTED MAY BE RENEWED AT THE APPROPRIATE
LEVEL AND WILL BE RECONSIDERED AT REASONABLY SHORT
INTERVALS BY THE AUTHORITIES OF THE COUNTRY OF RESIDENCE
OR DESTINATION, WHICHEVER IS CONCERNED; UNDER SUCH
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CIRCUMSTANCES FEES WILL BE CHARGED ONLY WHEN
APPLICATIONS ARE GRANTED."

-- "PERSONS WHOSE APPLICATIONS FOR FAMILY REUNIFICATION
ARE GRANTED MAY BRING WITH THEM OR SHIP THEIR HOUSEHOLD
AND PERSONAL EFFECTS; TO THIS END THE PARTICIPATING
STATES WILL USE ALL POSSIBILITIES PROVIDED BY EXISTING
REGULATIONS."

-- "UNTIL MEMBERS OF THE SAME FAMILY ARE REUNITED
MEETINGS AND CONTACTS BETWEEN THEM MAY TAKE PLACE IN
ACCORDANCE WITH THE MODALITIES FOR CONTACTS ON THE

BASIS OF FAMILY TIES."

-- "THE PARTICIPATING STATES WILL SUPPORT THE EFFORTS
OF RED CROSS AND RED CRESCENT SOCIETIES CONCERNED WITH
THE PROBLEMS OF FAMILY REUNIFICATION."

-- "THEY CONFIRM THAT THE PRESENTATION OF AN
APPLICATION CONCERNING FAMILY REUNIFICATION WILL NOT
MODIFY THE RIGHTS AND OBLIGATIONS OF THE APPLICANT OR
OF MEMBERS OF HIS FAMILY."

-- "THE RECEIVING PARTICIPATING STATE WILL TAKE
APPROPRIATE CARE WITH REGARD TO EMPLOYMENT FOR
PERSONS FROM OTHER PARTICIPATING STATES WHO TAKE UP
PERMANENT RESIDENCE IN THAT STATE IN CONNEXION WITH
FAMILY REUNIFICATION WITH ITS CITIZENS AND SEE THAT
THEY ARE AFFORDED OPPORTUNITIES EQUAL TO THOSE ENJOYED
BY ITS OWN CITIZENS FOR EDUCATION, MEDICAL ASSISTANCE
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